

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Electronic information equipment for recording contents are connected to a network. One of the pieces of electronic information equipment manages information of the dispersed storage state. The managing device gives output instructions to the other electronic information equipment storing the information in a dispersed manner such that each of the pieces of electronic information equipment outputs the information stored therein to output destination electronic information equipment, and in the event that the end of information output from one piece of electronic information equipment has been detected, the managing device gives output instructions to the electronic information equipment storing the subsequent information to output the information stored therein to the output destination electronic information equipment. Each of the pieces of electronic information equipment storing the information in a dispersed manner outputs information onto the network with the output destination electronic information equipment specified.

Accordingly, the present invention enables contents recorded in a dispersed manner to be readily played in a continuous manner.